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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Montrose Settlements Restoration Program (MSRP) Releases Draft Phase 2 Restoration Plan

The MSRP Trustees are seeking public review and comment on the Draft Phase 2 Restoration Plan. The plan includes proposed restoration projects for recovering natural resources harmed by DDTs and PCBs in the marine environment of southern California. At the upcoming public meeting, members of the public will learn about restoration projects that have been completed during Phase 1 restoration and what MSRP is proposing to do in the next phase. The official public comment period begins on October 17, 2011 and ends on December 19. The Draft Phase 2 Restoration Plan is available on our website to download for comment at www.montroserestoration.gov. Comments can be sent to msrp@noaa.gov

WHAT: Public meeting to gather input on the Draft Phase 2 Restoration Plan

WHO: Montrose Settlements Restoration Program Trustees

- National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration
- United States Fish and Wildlife Service
- National Park Service
- California Department of Fish and Game
- California State Lands Commission
- California Department of Parks and Recreation

WHEN: **October 26, 2011, 6-8pm**
Open house starts at 6:00 p.m.
Formal meeting begins 6:30 p.m.

WHERE: **Channel Islands National Park**
Robert J. Lagomarsino Visitor Center
1901 Spinnaker Drive
Ventura, CA 93001

Background: MSRP was developed in 2001 to oversee restoration of resources harmed by DDT and PCBs in the Southern California Bight. The six federal and state agencies that administer this program work with local resource agencies, non-profit organizations, scientists, and other technical experts to implement restoration projects and monitor recovery of resources that were harmed. MSRP celebrating ten years of restoration planning and implementation this year, has many successes to share with the public and looks forward to continuing this important work in the future. For more information, www.montroserestoration.gov